GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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Mental Halthcare
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government proposes to bring Mental disorders under the category of Non Communicable Diseases (NCD);

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not the reason therefor;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide palliative care facilities to Mental patients so as to enable such patients to get home care treatment; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)
(a) & (b): Mental disorders are considered as one of the Non Communicable Diseases. On the initiative of the Government of India, the First Global Ministerial Conference on Healthy Lifestyles and Non-communicable Disease Control held during April 28-29, 2011 at Moscow recognized mental health as a part of Non Communicable Diseases (NCD).

(c) & (d): Under the National Program for Palliative Care (NPPC), palliative care services are provided at the district level to all the patients requiring treatment, including persons suffering from mental disorders.